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TAGS: PDIP EG  
SUBJ: LETTER FROM EGYPTIAN SOLDIER TO PRESIDENT CARTER

1. WE, LIKE OTHER POSTS IN THE AREA, CONSTANTLY RECEIVE A SPATE OF LETTERS WRITTEN BY EGYPTIANS ASKING FOR ONE OR ANOTHER TYPE OF ASSISTANCE. HAVE JUST RECEIVED A LETTER FOR PRESIDENT CARTER, HOWEVER, THAT IS UNUSUAL AND, IN OUR JUDGEMENT, TELLS IN SIMPLE, MOVING LANGUAGE THE WIDESPREAD HOPE THAT EXISTS AMONG EGYPTIANS THAT PEACE BE ACHIEVED. IT IS WRITTEN BY AN EGYPTIAN SOLDIER, WHO WAS FORMERLY A SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER. TEXT, INCLUDING MISPELLINGS, IS SET FORTH BELOW:

2. QUOTE: DEAR PRESIDENT KARTAR (SIC)

MY GREAT RESPECT FOR YOU AND YOUR PEOPLE AND I HOPE MORE PROGRESS AND WELFARE FOR THIS GREAT PEOPLE. I HOPE THAT LOVE AND RESPECT SPREAD ALL OVER THE WORLD.  
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I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT I WAS A TEACHER IN A SECONDARY SCHOOL. NOW I AM A SOLDIER IN THE EGYPTIAN ARMY. THIS IS NOT VERY IMPORTANT. WHAT IS IMPORTANT AND THE PURPOSE WHICH I WROTE MY MESSAGE FOR, IT IS PEACE AND NOTHING BUT PEACE. WE WANT PEACE. I WANT TO ASK YOU A SIMPLE QUESTION. DO YOU THINK THAT WE WANT WAR? THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION IS VERY SIMPLE. NO ONE WANTS WAR. WE WANT TO LIVE IN PEACE AND LOVE. AND

IF I DO NOT FAULT, IT IS ALSO ISRAEL'S WISH.

HENCE WHY WAR? THIS BAD WORD. WHY, WHY DO WE  
KILL EACH OTHER? WE WANT TO LIVE WITH ANY NATION,  
WHATEVER ITS RELIGION AND BELIEFS. THIS CAN ALSO BE  
APPLIED TO ISRAEL.

DEAR PRESIDENT, AS I HAVE TOLD AND READ, PEACE  
CAN BE ACHIEVED ACCORDING TO THE WILL OF AMERICA AND  
ACCORDINGLY ACCORDING TO YOUR WILL. SO I WANT YOU TO  
ACHIEVE MY WISH AND I THINK IT'S THE WISH OF ANY WISE  
MAN. AGAIN DO SO. I BEG YOU. WE DO NOT WANT TO BE  
KILLED, OUR CHILDREN BE ORPHANS, OUR FACTORIES, PLANTS  
BE DESTROYED.

DEAR RESPECTFUL KARTAR, I FORGET TO EXPRESS  
MY GREAT RESPECT, ADMIRATION AND LOVE FOR YOU AND YOUR  
PEOPLE. NOW I WANT YOUR PERSONAL ANSWER TO MY MESSAGE  
ACCOMPANIED WITH A BIG PICTURE FOR YOU. WHEN YOU  
SEN IT I WILL WRITE UNDER IT "THE HERO OF PEACE."  
I ALSO WANT TO MEET YOUR LORDSHIP IF CIRCUMSTANCES  
PERMIT SO.

WITH MY GREAT RESPECT  
FAITHFUL,  
MUSTAFA M. MEKKY  
UNQUOTE

3. AMBASSADOR IS ACKNOWLEDGING MR. MEKKY'S LETTER  
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AND WILL SEND PHOTOGRAPH OF PRESIDENT CARTER TO HIM.  
ORIGINAL LETTER AND AMBASSADOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BEING  
POUCHED TO S/S FOR FORWARDING TO THE WHITE HOUSE IN  
THE BELIEF THAT PRESIDENT CARTER MAY WISH TO RETAIN  
THIS MOVING LETTER.  
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